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PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2178**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ruth E. ROSENHOLTZ et al.

Group Art Unit: 2178

Application No.: 09/682,229

Examiner: K. STORK

Filed: August 8, 2001

Docket No.: 108762

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR GENERATING ENHANCED THUMBNAI LS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 2, 2005 Office Action and the February 23, 2006 personal interview, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 6-22, 25-28 and 30-40 are pending.

Applicants thank Examiner Stork for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representatives during the February 23, 2006 personal interview. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-3, 6, 7, 9-12 and 16-19 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over "Document Thumbnail Visualization for Rapid Relevance Judgments: When do they pay off?" by Ogden et al. (Ogden) in view of "The Use of Customized Emphasis in Text Visualization" by Manber. This rejection is respectfully traversed.